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IN FRAME BARRACKS

How Havana Troops Will Be Housed.

COMMISSIONER PORTER SPEAKS.

Outlines a Plan of Cuban Development—General Blanco's Arrangements for the Transference of Columbus' Remains to Spain.

HAVANA, Sept. 24.—The American commissioners, in view of the great number of American citizens in the island who require aid and having no American consul here to distribute relief, have, according to report, asked the Washington government for a special credit to attend to these urgent requirements.

According to information received, the commissioners have advised the government that it will be very dangerous to bring to Havana troops to be housed in the existing barracks, as they have become infected by the overcrowding with sick Spanish soldiers and because of the bad sanitary conditions of the whole town.

It is therefore proposed that ready-made frame barracks be shipped from the United States before the American troops are brought here.

Mr. Robert P. Porter, who was sent to Cuba on a special mission by the American government, was given a banquet by the leading club of Cienfuegos while in that city. Mr. Porter at the banquet made a speech, in the course of which he said that his mission to the island was purely that of studying the riches and resources of the country and the best means of developing the same and every branch of industry and commerce and that he hoped he would find the Cubans ready to help him to succeed in his mission.

He expressed himself as strongly in favor of the free importation of cattle, both for agricultural work and for consumption, and also of the free importation of all material and implements of agriculture and manufacture. He dwelt upon the necessity for co-operation by every man of property and all laboring people, both Spanish and Cuban, to help carry out the plans of the United States for the prosperity of the island and said it was well known that annexation was no part of the United States' programme in Cuba, but that if annexation should be treated eventually the initiative step should emanate from Cuba herself by her asking the United States for annexation.

Mr. Porter finished his remarks by saying that the United States government was occupied by and interested solely in the development of commerce and industry in Cuba, which it was prepared to use every effort and resource of the country to secure.

Mr. Porter expressed himself as much surprised and pleased with the aspect of Cienfuegos. He strongly favors the immediate establishment of an electric plant for the lighting of the city and the movement of its street cars. He was much struck with the beauty and elegance of the native women.

Silver is rising owing to the fact that bankers are buying large sums of silver coin. Today silver was quoted at 67½ on the dollar. During the blockade it was as low as 52.

General Blanco has conferred a decoration upon a colored woman named Barbara Gutierrez for bravery displayed during the bombardment of Manzanillo, where she fought side by side with the regular troops, displaying the utmost courage.

Captain General Blanco, in view of the government's decision to transfer the remains of Columbus to Spain, has issued the following order:

"First.—The monument containing the remains shall be removed from its mounting, leaving as it now is the base upon which it rests, and shall be properly packed for shipment.

"Second.—A commission presided over by the captain general and composed of the bishop of Havana, the colonial secretary of justice, the civil and military governors, the dean of the cathedral, the state architect and a doctor commissioned by the board of health shall examine the niche containing the remains and adopt necessary measures for their prompt shipment to Spain."

The commission will meet on Monday next, Sept. 26, at the cathedral. The finance department will appropriate \$3,000 to defray the expenses of packing and shipping the monument.

Army Commissioners Arrive.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—Several of the members of the commission, including General Grenville M. Dodge, who will probably be chairman of it, arrived in this city yesterday preparatory to attending the preliminary meeting to be held at the White House today. General Dodge was escorted with the president for half an hour yesterday afternoon discussing the details of the work to be undertaken.

Claims For Pensions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—About 500 applications for pensions arising out of the war with Spain have been filed at the pension office. They embrace all classes, including widows, claims for injuries, etc. It is the purpose of Commissioner Evans to create a new division for the adjudication of these cases, when they will be taken up and disposed of as rapidly as possible.

Soldiers Must Pay Fare.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—An order has been issued by the war department to different commanding generals stating that furloughed men are not entitled to transportation to their homes at government expense.

The Volunteer Force.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—It is expected that the United States forces after the volunteers designated for the purpose are mustered out will consist of about 100,000 volunteers and 61,000 regulars.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

Another Tragedy in the Bewildering Plot.

PARIS, Sept. 24.—Mme. Paulmier, wife of M. Charles Ernest Paulmier, member of the chamber of deputies from the department of Calvados, has all but added another tragedy to the bewildering intricacies of the Dreyfus plot. Mme. Paulmier yesterday entered the offices of La Lanterne and asked to see M. Millerand. M. Millerand was absent, and M. Ollivier, who was present, stepped forward to receive the lady, who, without waiting for any explanation, whipped out a revolver and fired twice. M. Ollivier fell to the floor wounded. He was taken to the hospital.

Mme. Paulmier was taken into custody and when questioned coolly announced: "I wished to kill M. Millerand." She explained that La Lanterne had slandered herself and her husband because her husband had written a letter to General Chanoiné, the minister of war, with reference to putting a stop to the attacks upon the army provoked by the Dreyfus affair.

The military authorities have accomplished their plan of stifling Colonel Picquart by placing him au secret. Colonel Picquart's friends have been denied admission to the prison. His counsel, Maître Labori, has twice appeared at the office of the clerk of the court martial and applied for permission to see his client. On both occasions he was informed that Picquart had been placed au secret and could only be seen on an order from the authorities, which order M. Labori has been unable to secure.

La Liberte predicts important action by the council on Tuesday which may result in the convoking of the chambers.

Still More Complications.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The journalist F. C. Conybeare, who has hitherto displayed an intimate knowledge of the Dreyfus case, writes a letter to The Chronicle explaining that Colonel Schwarzkoppen, formerly German military attaché in Paris, actually wrote the petition to Count Esterhazy, but on second thought tore it into fragments and threw it away, and that the Alsatian porter at his lodgings gathered up the fragments and sent them to Colonel Picquart.

The bordereau, he says, was addressed by Count Esterhazy to Colonel Schwarzkoppen, but was intercepted and given to the French authorities by the same Alsatian.

IS ROOSEVELT INELIGIBLE?

A Rumor as to the Necessity of His Withdrawal.

ALBANY, Sept. 24.—The supporters of Governor Black have tonight exposed their hand to the New York city politicians, who have been responsible for their defeat in their efforts to defeat Colonel Roosevelt for the gubernatorial nomination. Colonel Roosevelt is "ineligible" to run as a candidate for governor in this state at this time, and before 24 hours have elapsed that information, with the specific reasons for his withdrawal from the contest, will have become public property and will have emanated from New York city. Superintendent of Public Works Aldridge, with a delegation of Republicans, left for New York city last evening to tell Senator Platt and the local Republican leaders why Mr. Roosevelt is "ineligible" for nomination. The specific reasons for his ineligibility are contained in documentary evidence on file in public departments. When Colonel Roosevelt was sworn in as assistant secretary of the navy in President McKinley's cabinet, he swore to his residence as Washington. The federal constitution, however, provides that persons holding office in the federal government retain their residence in the state from which they are appointed, but when Colonel Roosevelt resigned his portfolio in the navy department he retired to private life. Thereafter he enlisted in the army, and in accepting his commission again swore to his residence as Washington. While this is the primary ground of this contention, it is claimed that further evidence of his ineligibility is afforded in the fact that he was assessed for personal property in the town of Oyster Bay, and later appeared before the tax commissioners and swore off the assessment upon the ground that he was not a resident of Oyster Bay, but was a resident of Washington.

Confiscation at Panama.

COLON, Colombia, Sept. 24.—About 30 houses and small business buildings in Panama were destroyed by fire Thursday night. The origin of the conflagration is not known. Demonstrations have taken place at Baranquilla and Cartagena expressing satisfaction with the withdrawal of the Italian consul and the severance of diplomatic relations with Italy.

Entombed in a Coal Mine.

NANTICOKE, Pa., Sept. 24.—By a rush of coal in No. 1 shaft yesterday three men were entombed and probably instantly killed. They were George H. Morgan, aged 31 years, John Shannon, aged 32, and John A. Jones, aged 28. Two other miners, John Wolford and John Jones, narrowly escaped with their lives.

Charged With Murder.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Sept. 24.—The grand jury yesterday found a true bill against Napoleon Manning, charged with the murder of Buzzell Le Doux of Georgia. Le Doux was shot as a result of a quarrel between the men at that place last Tuesday afternoon.

Further Democratic Nominations.

RUFFALO, Sept. 24.—The delegates of the Forty-seventh senatorial district yesterday nominated William F. Mackay, The Democrats of the Thirty-second congressional district yesterday nominated William H. Ryan.

GARCIA SPEAKS OUT

Appreciates America's Disinterested Motives.

HIS RECEPTION AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA

The Cuban Patriot Grows Eloquent Over American Heroism—Success After Thirty Years of Struggle. Arranges Native Enthusiasm.

SANTIAGO, Sept. 24.—To the residents of Santiago Thursday was the most important day since the capitulation, as it was the occasion of the first visit of General Calixto Garcia to Santiago since he left there in a bad temper on July 17. At 9 o'clock in the morning General Wood, with a portion of General Lawton's staff and several American officers, met General Garcia outside the city limits and escorted him into the town. Garcia was accompanied by his staff and by his son, Colonel Calixto Garcia, by many Cuban officers who have recently come to Santiago and by 200 Cuban cavalrymen. The streets through which the party passed were thronged with cheering people, and it was estimated that 10,000 persons filled the plaza in front of the palace, where Garcia dismounted. He was met at the door by General Lawton, and an informal reception by the American officers was held in the audience room. At night another reception was tendered General Garcia at the San Carlos club, which was thronged with prominent Cubans, American officers and ladies. The plaza was brilliantly lighted and decorated with flags and music was furnished by the band of the Fifth Infantry. The Americans wore dress uniforms, and General Garcia and his officers wore white uniforms and high boots.

In reply to a speech of welcome delivered by Senor Trujillo, editor of the Forvenir, General Garcia said:

"After 30 years of desperate, deadly struggle the Cuban people today celebrate the success of their efforts. It is a day for the remembrance of the names and deeds of the years 1895 to 1898 and for the remembrance of the heroes who fought in the war of 1895, which was called the 'little war'—little only because of its short duration, but great on account of the principles defended and for the quality of the men who composed the army—and for the remembrance of those noble soldiers who fell in the struggle which began in 1895, over whose graves our latest tears have fallen.

"People of Cuba, we owe a great debt to those heroes for their efforts in behalf of Cuban independence, efforts which would have been useless—no, not useless, for we would have triumphed—but not speedily effective if the American people, that colossal republic, with its famous fighters, great ships and dauntless army, had not sent its own sons to shed their blood with ours. A grand nation it must be when the sons of millions, who had nothing to gain in Cuba but a soldier's glory, should come here to die side by side with Cubans. To this great nation—to this noble country which has always fought for the rights of liberty—we owe the achievement of our independence and the consummation of our ideals. Our gratitude will live long for America."

General Garcia's speech, which was delivered with considerable expression, aroused much enthusiasm among the Cubans present.

General Garcia will remain in Santiago for several days as the guest of the Cubans of this city.

To Shield China From Europe.

PEKING, Sept. 24.—Presumably in anticipation of European commercial and territorial encroachment the emperor dowager has resumed control of governmental affairs. The reason for the change is the alleged incapacity of the emperor. The emperor dowager will be present at all audiences, and her approval will be necessary before any edicts can be published. She is supported by a strong party. Her present functions are those of a regent, as she was during the emperor's minority. Chang Yin Huan, a member of the tsung-li-yamen and director of the imperial railways and finances, has been dismissed and his property confiscated. Li Hung Chang will probably return to power.

Increased Force at Navy Yard.

BOSTON, Sept. 24.—The amount of repair work to be done on various vessels of the navy at the Charlestown navy yard, as well as the getting out of large orders of equipment stores of various kinds, has made it necessary that the force at the yard should be materially increased. Because of an insufficient force the work on many of the vessels now here, notably the gunboats Helena and Wilmington, which are wanted for immediate service in China waters, has been delayed. The secretary of the navy sent an order to the yard yesterday authorizing such increases in the force as may be found necessary.

Curzon Can Sit in the Commons.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The Times this morning, referring to Mr. Curzon's elevation to the peerage, points out that, being created an Irish peer, Mr. Curzon will be able to re-enter the house of commons at any time while his father is living.

Second Artillery For Cuba.

BOSTON, Sept. 24.—A private dispatch received in this city from Washington yesterday states that the Second United States Artillery would be ordered to move to Cuba Nov. 1. The officers have already begun to prepare to move.

Soldiers Recovering at Woonsocket.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Sept. 24.—The sick soldiers at the Woonsocket hospital are recovering rapidly. Most of them are regulars from Santiago via Camp Wikoff. Two have been reported cured and are on the way to their regiment.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Result of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At Boston.....	0 0 0 0 0 0 1-2 3 0	B. H. E.
Pittsburgh.....	0 0 0 0 0 0 1-0 1 4 1	B. H. E.
Batteries—Willis and Bergen; Tannehill and Bowman.		
At Baltimore.....	0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 0 0 1	B. H. E.
Baltimore.....	0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 0 0 1	B. H. E.
Chicago.....	0 0 0 0 1 0 0-0 2 7 2	B. H. E.
Batteries—Maul and Robinson; Callahan and Donahue.		
At Philadelphia.....	1 0 3 1 0 0 0-0 5 12 0	B. H. E.
Philadelphia.....	0 0 1 0 0 0 0-0 1 8 4	B. H. E.
Cleveland.....	0 0 1 0 0 0 0-0 1 8 4	B. H. E.
Batteries—Orth and McFarland; Young and Criger.		
At New York.....	0 0 0 3 0 0 0-0 3 7 2	B. H. E.
New York.....	1 1 1 0 2 1 0-0 5 8 1	B. H. E.
Louisville.....	0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 0 0 0	B. H. E.
Batteries—Carrick and Warner; Magee and Kittredge.		
At Brooklyn.....	0 0 2 0 0 0 0-0 2 4 9 1	B. H. E.
Brooklyn.....	1 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0-3 7 2	B. H. E.
St. Louis.....	1 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0-3 7 2	B. H. E.
Batteries—Kennedy and Ryan; Taylor and Sugden.		
At Washington.....	0 0 1 1 0 0 4 0 0-6 14 2	B. H. E.
Washington.....	0 0 1 1 0 0 4 0 0-6 14 2	B. H. E.
Cincinnati.....	0 0 0 3 0 3 1 0-10 14 2	B. H. E.
Batteries—Williams and Casey; Dammann and Hawley.		
Second Game.....		
Washington.....	1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0-3 4 2	B. H. E.
Cincinnati.....	0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0-1 4 2	B. H. E.
Batteries—Baker and Farrell; Breitenstein and Wood.		

Table of Percentages.

W. L. P. C.	W. L. P. C.
Boston.....	59 44 650 Philadelphia 67 62 619
Baltimore.....	85 54 645 Pittsburgh 67 62 619
Cincinnati.....	53 54 605 Louisville 60 74 507
Cleveland.....	74 58 561 Brooklyn 49 78 390
Chicago.....	74 63 540 Washington 44 90 325
New York.....	73 62 526 St. Louis 35 97 263

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

One hundred and twenty fishermen have been drowned in recent storms on the Baltic sea.

Business was reported booming in Manila, Dewey having cleared the harbor of obstructions.

Chile and Argentina have signed an agreement to submit their boundary dispute to arbitration.

The Campania, with the American peace commissioners on board, arrived at Queenstown yesterday afternoon.

Preparations for the evacuation of Porto Rico are proceeding satisfactorily. The Spaniards are said to be acting in perfect good faith.

Instructions have been sent to the American commission in Havana to the effect that no further delay in the evacuation of the island will be tolerated.

The French press was reported much pleased by the speech of United States Commissioner Peck, in which he linked the names of Lafayette and Cambon.

Aguinaldo's agents now en route to Washington were reported to carry an appeal to the European powers for recognition of Filipino belligerency and independence.

Peking dispatches stated that members of the European community believed that the life of the emperor was in danger. It was said that the dowager empress desired to place Prince Kung's grandson on the throne.

Railway Smash Up in Wisconsin.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 24.—A frightful train wreck occurred Thursday night on the Central railroad near White River, a small station near Ashland, Wis. Harrison Fifield was instantly killed, Walter Sharple fatally injured and Thomas Johnson and two tramps miraculously escaped injury. All five were riding in a box car from Mellen to Ashland. The train broke in two, and in going down grade the two ends came together. The box car, the men were in, was in front of the back part of the train, and it was entirely demolished.

An Unauthorized Judge.

SARATOGA, Sept. 24.—Judge Vasco P. Abbott, a prominent lawyer of St. Lawrence county, recently discovered that he had practiced for 30 years without being legally registered as an attorney and counselor. The act of omission was stated by him yesterday before the appellate division, supreme court, third judicial department, and by the direction of the court the clerk swore him in as an attorney and counselor.

Sickness Increases at San Juan.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Sept. 24.—The sickness among the American troops is still increasing, and at last reports there were 2,500 soldiers under treatment. There are 700 ill in General Ernest's brigade. Outrages by natives are reported from Barros and Arechibo. At the latter place the Spanish troops fired on the rioters, killing four and wounding several others before order was restored.

Lost—Four Hundred Soldiers.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Sept. 24.—Chaplain Ireland of the Forty-seventh New York volunteers, in camp at Fort Adams, Newport, was in the city yesterday looking for men of his regiment who have overstayed their leave. He says that 400 men are missing from the post, and there are indications that those who have not returned to New York by steamboat are in this city.

Governor Hay's Narrow Escape.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Sept. 24.—Among the incidents at Barbados was the miraculous escape of Governor Hay and his son from a building which collapsed, burying them in the ruins. They escaped with insignificant bruises. The house was the governor's temporary residence while the government palace was being repaired.

Death From Yellow Fever.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—E. Isaacs of Macon, who arrived from Santiago on the steamer Sagunaca suffering from yellow fever and was conveyed to Swinburne island, died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Binghamton Democratic Nominations.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Sept. 24.—Dr. F. E. Pease of Nichols, N. Y., was yesterday nominated for congress by the Democrats of the Twenty-seventh district.

REPUBLICAN MAL-ADMINISTRATION.

The Volunteer Soldiers Ill-treated.

A FALSE TAX RATE.

MR. BLACK EXPENDS FIVE AND SIX MILLIONS MORE YEARLY THAN R. P. FLOWER, DEMOCRAT.

The Republican Legislature's Bad Act—The Force Bill—Franchise Given Away—A Fraudulent Primary Reform Act—The Railroads Law—Unamended.

Year	Amount	Amount	Amount
1894	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00
1895	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00

Under Gov. Levi P. Morton, Republican.

Year	Amount	Amount	Amount
1895	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00
1896	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00

Under Gov. Frank S. Black, Republican.

Year	Amount	Amount	Amount
1897	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00
1898	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00

A CONTRAST.

Cost of State Government	Cost of State Government
Frank Black, Republican	\$20,925,616.83
Levi P. Flower, Democrat	\$15,125,640.37
Increase under Black	\$5,800,000.46

It will be noted that both the direct and the indirect taxes, considered with State Treasury surpluses, were less under Governor Flower, Democrat, than they were under Governor Black, Republican, to a total extent of \$5,800,976.48. As every taxpayer understands, the bulk of the indirect income of the State comes from the taxation of corporations, of inheritances, and on the sale of liquor. If economy is practised, any increase of the income from the indirect taxes inevitably results in a decrease of the direct State taxation. Therefore, with \$10,749,457.92, derived from indirect sources and a surplus the present year, 1898, if there had been an economical State Administration, there would have been a large decrease of direct State taxation. Instead, the large sum of \$10,186,158.93 was imposed upon the people by a direct tax. Mr. Flower, with an indirect State income and surplus in 1894, amounting to only \$3,569,897.48, imposed a direct State tax of only \$9,155,742.89. Mr. Black, with \$4,000,000 of additional indirect State income, derived from the Liquor Tax Law, which brought up the State indirect income to \$10,749,457.92, nevertheless imposed a direct State tax of \$10,186,158.93 (over a million dollars larger than Mr. Flower's direct tax record).

A Delusive Tax Rate.
An attempt has been made to delude the taxpayers into a belief that the Republican Administration was economical by juggling with the State tax rate. By an enormous increase in the valuations of property all over the State by the Republican Board of Tax Commissioners, from a grand total of \$4,406,152,867, in 1897, to \$7,497,191,757, in 1898, over twenty hundredths mills were taken off the State tax rate. Excessive taxation in 1897 had put a large surplus in the State treasury. By the use of this sum the State tax rate was reduced still further—forty hundredths mills. Except for these expedients, therefore, the State tax rate would have been 2.68 mills instead of 2.03 mills, as announced.

Appropriations Large.

It is a sufficient disproof of the Republican claim of economy to state that the reports of James A. Roberts, the Republican State Comptroller, show that he estimated that the ordinary appropriation acts of 1897 amounted to \$10,852,379.06; whereas, those of 1898 amounted to \$10,749,457.92. This is a difference in favor of the Legislature of 1898 of only about \$100,000; and reduction of the appropriations for the State Capitol consequent upon its near completion and a reduction of \$500,000 on the amount expended in the purchase of forest lands, ought to have given the Republican Legislature of 1898 and Governor Black an opportunity to have made a far greater reduction in the total amount of the appropriation acts than they did make. Moreover, Mr. Roberts estimated in 1897 that the Liquor Tax would bring only \$3,250,000 into the State Treasury. In 1898 he has informed the Legislature that the Liquor Tax will put \$4,000,000 in the treasury. By means of this increase of estimate of \$750,000, still further reductions were made in the State tax rate.

Low Democratic Taxation.

If surpluses be not considered, the Democratic State Administration of Governor Flower makes the following favorable contrast with the Republican State Administrations of Levi P. Morton and Frank S. Black:

Year	Amount	Amount	Amount
1894	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00
1895	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00

Year	Amount	Amount	Amount
1896	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00
1897	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00

The Democratic total of direct and indirect taxes, in 1894, which amounted to \$12,641,337.96, was thus \$7,673,197.73 less than the \$20,314,535.67 imposed by Mr. Black in 1897, and \$5,844,820.98 less than the \$18,518,416.65 imposed by Mr. Black and the Republican Legislature of 1898. There is no reasonable excuse for this large increase in the State's expenses.

Tax Rate Low; Valuations High.

Mention has already been made of the vast increase in the valuation of property by the Republican Tax Commissioners, and that this increase was one of the devices by which the State tax rate was artificially forced down to 2.03 mills. Further it has been stated that the State Tax Commissioners forced up the valuation of property in the State to \$7,497,191,757.

The previous valuation was \$4,406,152,867. The increase (which amounted in many instances almost to confiscations of small properties) was \$491,038,930.

On the basis of the previous State valuation, \$4,406,152,867, the tax rate would be 2.31, instead of 2.03.

That's what the "low tax rate" amounts to. It is the old, very old and moldy chestnut of increased valuations and a decreased tax rate.

Tax Rate Figures.

Year	Rate	Year	Rate
1891 (Hill)	1.37	1896 (Morton)	3.24
1892 (Flower)	1.98	1897 (Morton)	2.69
1893 (Flower)	2.58	1897 (Black)	2.67
1894 (Flower)	2.18	1898 (Black)	2.03

Four Republican years:

Average Democratic rate, 2.02%.

Average Republican rate, 2.67%.

Highest Republican rate exceeded highest Democratic rate by 67-100 of a mill.

Lowest Republican rate exceeds lowest Democratic rate by 71-100 of a mill.

Not one dollar of excise monies

flicked from city treasuries was required to produce the Democratic low tax rates.

The Republican Legislature made no record of economy in any direction. It held a short session, but the members were inattentive to their duties and, therefore, no legislation of importance was put on the statute books by them. Governor Black was permitted to usurp the rights of the Legislature to such an extent that practically no bills passed except such as were drawn up by him. A policy of imposing much needed legislation on the shoulders of members of future Legislatures seemed to be adopted. The taxation laws require reform, but the Legislature contented itself with authorizing the appointment of a commission to look into the subject. Alarm was expressed by the merchants of New York, lest that commercial metropolis should be deprived of its trade by other Atlantic seaports, but this apparent diversion of trade only induced the Legislature to authorize the appointment of another commission to take evidence about this serious matter. Millions, it was apparent had been expended in a wasteful and corrupt manner upon the State's canals under the Nine Million Improvement Act, but since Governor Black had appointed one of the officials, the Superintendent of Public Works, who had charge of the canal work, an immediate investigation by the Legislature was prevented, and that body once more dodged work for which its members are paid a generous salary, by passing a law for the appointment of an investigating commission. No opportunity was afforded the minority party in the Legislature to name any members of this canal investigating commission; but that great authority was conferred upon the Governor, whose administration was to be put on trial by the investigation.

Fraudulent Primary Reform Law.

An alleged primary reform law was passed to lure back to the support of the Republican party voters who left it in the fall of 1897, because of the bad record of the Republican Governor and the Republican Legislature in that year. But these voters were swindled. The new law was so framed as to strengthen the "machine" of the Republican party instead of weakening it. The very first primaries held under the new law proved this fact. Strengthened by the increased patronage it became possessed of under the new law, the Republican machine defeated its Republican opponents at every point. It may be added that the Primary Reform Law has imposed enormous expenses upon the taxpayers of the cities of the State, and it is problematical if the law, by the way it works, justifies those who have erected this very costly bit of machinery.

The Oligious State Force Law.

The extra session of the Legislature was called by Governor Black under a pretence that it was necessary to provide machinery for the gathering of the votes of the volunteer soldiers of the State. This noble purpose was degraded into a session chiefly devoted to framing and passing an act intended to drive thousands of Democratic voters away from the polls in the counties of New York, Kings, Queens, Richmond and Westchester and thus insure perpetual victories in the State to the Republican party. Another aim of this act was to provide the Republican party with a large number of offices. The law passed authorized Governor Black, by and with the consent of the Senate, to appoint a State Superintendent of Elections for a metropolitan elections district, having within its borders the counties named. No other part of the State is affected; the cities of Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Albany are left untouched. The great Democratic city of New York is

picked out for an attack upon its home-land rights. The Superintendent of Elections, who already has been appointed, is authorized to appoint 700 deputies. These deputies are clothed with the following extraordinary powers:

1. Investigate all questions relating to registration of voters, and for that purpose shall have power to visit and inspect any house, dwelling, building, inn, lodging-house or hotel within the metropolitan district, and interrogate any inmate, house-dweller, keeper, caretaker, owner, proprietor or landlord thereof or therein, as to any person or persons residing or claiming to reside therein or thereat.

2. Arrest any person without warrant who in his presence violates or attempts to violate any of the provisions of the election law or the penal code relating to crimes against the elective franchise.

3. Execute warrants of arrest and take into custody the person or persons named in such process.

4. Inspect and copy any books, records, papers or documents, relating to or affecting the election or the registration of electors.

5. Requiring every lodging-house keeper, landlord or proprietor to exhibit his register of lodgers therein at any time to such deputy.

Any person who neglects or refuses to furnish any information required or authorized by this section, or to exhibit records, papers or documents herein authorized to be inspected, or which are required to be exhibited, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 7. The State superintendent or any deputy, may call on any person to assist him in the performance of his duty; and he may also call on any public officer who by himself or his assistants, deputies or subordinates shall render such assistance as may be required. Any such person, public officer, deputy or subordinate who shall fail on demand by the state superintendent or any deputy to render such aid and assistance in the performance of his duty as he shall demand, or who shall wilfully hinder or delay, or attempt to hinder or delay such superintendent or deputy in the performance of his duty, shall be guilty of a felony, and shall upon conviction thereof be sentenced to imprisonment in a state prison for a period of not more than three years; and if a public officer, shall, in addition to such imprisonment, forfeit his office. A number of a uniformed police force shall, for the purposes of this act, be deemed a public officer.

An Intimidation Act.

It will be noticed that this measure has all the odious features of the notorious Force Bill rejected by Congress. The measure is a State Force Bill; a revival to 1898 of Davenport methods. Its purpose is to intimidate and drive Democratic voters away from the polls. The fact that it authorizes arrests "without warrant," in polling or registration places plainly discloses its purpose to tyrannize over voters and force away from the polling places such as are unpleasant to the Republican State Government. This machinery for the oppression of the Democratic voter will cost the State treasury the present year the large sum of \$160,000.

A Tricky Soldiers' Act.

In its last hours the Legislature of 1898 passed an act appropriating \$1,000,000 to pay the expense of equipping and transporting New York's soldiers now engaged in the Spanish War. Even in this bill the Governor and the Republican majority in the Legislature could not refrain from a tricky performance. Instead of imposing a tax of a certain amount to raise the desired million dollars, the Governor was authorized to name the rate of tax. This is clearly unconstitutional. The Constitution says that "every law which imposes, continues or revives a tax shall distinctly state the tax and the object to which it is to be applied." The political policy of the statute was to put upon some future Legislature the duty of raising the million dollars, and not have it go into this year's tax levy. The measure was so clearly unconstitutional that at the extra session of the Legislature, later, a law was passed directly appropriating \$500,000 to pay the expenses of the soldiers. Further the act provided that this amount could be borrowed by the Comptroller, and any amount needed in addition to pay bills already contracted in payment of the expense of transporting the soldiers and other expenses connected with the war. The bonds for the payment of these debts are to run for seven years. Thus the Legislature of 1898 shirks paying these war expenses in order to prevent their recognition in the State tax rate. "Pay as you go," is a good motto, which applies to States as well as to individuals. The Republican party's policy in this State is one of postponement rather, not to let the taxpayers know this year that the money has been expended, but some other year, when a Governor and a Legislature are not to be elected. But debts must be paid some time, and taxpayers will surely hold the Republican party responsible for compelling them to pay debts incurred in former years which should have been paid then.

The million dollars appropriated to equip the volunteer soldiers of the State was administered most miserably. It was ample to provide the soldiers with excellent camps, to arm and uniform them, to pay them their monthly wages until they entered the United States service promptly and to feed them well. There never was, however, in the history of the State, such a record of incompetency. It brought misery upon our soldiers. Manned suddenly at Camp Black, the National Guard soldiers found themselves large-

ly without tents, and most of them without food. Sickened and wretchedness naturally followed. Many days followed before the evils of mismanagement were corrected. Added to this the soldiers were not paid until weeks after enlistment. Their families and relatives suffered from want and they themselves could not buy camp comforts. With a million dollars at his command, Governor Black and his military advisers made the puerile excuse that the soldiers could not be paid off because the pay rolls could not be got in shape. With abundance of money to hire clerks to prepare the pay rolls, yet the pay rolls were not made ready, and the volunteers of the State and their families were permitted to suffer. There is not a record of gross mismanagement and the infliction of great suffering on thousands of brave men to be found in the history of the State which can compare with this one of Governor Black, and the Republican Administration.

A Scandalous Measure Passed.

A bill was passed after industrious lobbying which relieved life insurance companies from the necessity of notifying policyholders when premiums are due. It was defeated once in the Assembly, and then revived to life by gigantic lobbying. Assemblyman Armstrong, a leading Republican member, said in denunciation of this bill:

"What motive has dragged this measure from its grave? Are the people demanding its passage? No; but the insurance companies and the Superintendent of Insurance are. State committeemen have been telegraphed to use their influence politically to pass it. Every member here has been bullied ragged industriously for two weeks and all sorts of influences and arguments brought to bear to jam this measure through. You have selected this late hour to pass it, when all are fatigued. Possibly it was thought night would throw a kindly cloak over one of the most abominable measures ever presented for the consideration of a Legislature."

The measure was so iniquitous, however, that Governor Black did not dare to sign it; but nevertheless it had served its purpose of showing the character of the Legislature.

Another class of evil measures passed by the Legislature were those which gave to various corporations valuable water rights of the State. It would seem that after franchises worth millions had been given away to corporations in the cities of the State, the Legislature should have taken warning and protected what property the State still has left capable of being developed into something exceedingly valuable. But instead of guarding the property rights of the State, the Legislature in a series of acts proposed to grant them without compensation to private individuals or to corporations. The most conspicuous measure of this kind which became a law was that which granted to the Genesee Storage Power Company, a private corporation, complete control of the waters of the Genesee River, the second largest river in the State. This grant is a most dangerous surrender of State property. The enlargement of the State's canals is in progress. It is obvious that a large quantity of water from the Genesee river will be needed for the use of the canal when it is completed. The State, therefore, will be compelled to buy back from the Genesee Storage Power Company at a future day the water which the Legislature has recklessly granted to it from the Genesee river. A more reckless administration of the State's property has rarely occurred in the history of the State.

The Rained Liquor Law Left Unamended.

The Rained Liquor Law badly needed amendment; and especially in the direction of restoring to the cities the money filched from them and poured into the State Treasury for the payment of the expenses of rural counties. No steps, however, were taken to right this great wrong; or to remedy other defects of the abominable measure—an enactment primarily intended to conceal if possible the extravagance of Republican Legislatures. Bills introduced by Democratic members to restore the money to the cities were rejected. The appropriation bills of various Republican Legislatures had yearly increased until direct taxation to a large amount must be imposed to meet them, or the alternative be taken of reducing them in amount. It was at this moment that the Liquor Tax Law was invented to pay at least \$1,000,000 of the bills yearly incurred by the Republican Legislatures. The waste of public money was thus continued; at the expense of the cities who were entitled to this revenue from the liquor trade.

Dollar Gas Defeated.

Corporations of course were favored by the Republican Legislature. A law was passed, introduced by Senator Ellsworth, the Republican leader, exempting directors of railroads from personal liability for their acts. The efforts of the Democratic minority to give the consumers of gas in New York city "dollar gas," several bills on that subject being introduced, were all defeated. Senator Coffey, Democrat, finally moved on May 16, 1898, that the committee on Miscellaneous Corporations be discharged from the further consideration of his Dollar Gas Bill. This motion was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes—Ahearn (Dem.), Brush (Rep.), Cantor (Dem.), Coffey (Dem.), Featherston (Dem.), Ford (Rep.), Grady (Dem.), Guy (Dem.), Koehler (Dem.), Martin (Dem.), McNulty (Dem.), Munzinger (Dem.), Nussbaum (Dem.)—12.
Nays—Brown, E. R. (Rep.), Brown, W. L. (Rep.), Burns (Rep.), Coggeshall (Rep.), C. Davis (Rep.), G. A. Davis

(Rep.), Ellsworth (Rep.), Harrison (Rep.), Higbie (Rep.), Higgins (Rep.), Humphrey (Rep.), Johnson (Rep.), Krum (Rep.), Lamy (Rep.), Lexow (Rep.), Malby (Rep.), Page (Rep.), Parsons (Rep.), Pavey (Rep.), Raines (Rep.), Seibert (Rep.), Sheppard (Rep.), Stewart (Rep.), Stranahan (Rep.), White (Rep.), Wieman (Rep.), Wray (Rep.)—27.

In the Assembly a motion by Mr. Donnelly, the Democratic leader, on March 10, 1898, to discharge the committee on Gas and Electricity from further consideration of the Dollar Gas bill was defeated by a vote, 66 to 76; the Democrats voting in the affirmative and the Republicans in the negative.

In 1897 an alleged law against "trusts" was passed by the Republican Legislature. A Republican Supreme Court judge at once declared the law unconstitutional. Not one "trust" has suffered the slightest inconvenience from the law. It would seem, therefore, that the Republican Legislature, as soon as it met in 1898, would have passed an act remedying the defects in the Anti-Trust Law of 1897. Instead the Republican majority took steps to defeat the anti-trust bills presented by the Democratic Senators and Assemblymen, and no anti-trust law, therefore, was passed. A motion of Mr. Donnelly, the Democratic leader in the Assembly, on March 8, 1898, to discharge the Assembly Judiciary Committee from further consideration of an anti-trust bill was defeated by a vote of 61 to 76; the Democrats voting in the affirmative, and the Republicans in the negative. The sincerity of the professions of hostility to trusts made by the Republican party, therefore, is apparent from this incident.

A Bill to Keep Republicans in Office.

It was apparent to the Republican leaders when the Legislature of 1893 adjourned, that in all likelihood a Democratic Governor would be elected in the Fall of the year. Then it was that the Republican State officials holding offices under the nomination or appointment of the Governor, began thinking about the erection of a barrier against their removal from office. The Democratic Legislature of 1893 had wisely authorized the Governor, while the Legislature was in session to appoint successors to all public officials, whose terms should then expire. This law was repealed and for it was substituted one providing that all recess appointments by the Governor, which are subject to confirmation by the Senate, when it is in session, shall be subject to its confirmation when it reconvenes after an adjournment. The design is apparent. Relying upon the gerrymander of Senate Districts, made by the Republican Constitutional Convention of 1894, the Republicans believe that the Republican party will retain possession of the Senate no matter how great the Democratic majority in the State, at a State election, and thus be able to hold in office against the will of a Democratic Governor, officials of Republican faith, long after their terms have expired. Democrats nominated as successors to these men will not be confirmed if there is a Republican Senate.

Lower Telephone Rates Defeated.

The Republican Legislature refused to listen to the demand of the people, that telephone rates be lowered. The bill was strangled by the Senate Finance Committee. Its death finally took place on March 24, 1898, when Senator Brown moved that the Finance Committee be discharged from its further consideration. Thereupon, a motion was made to table this motion of Senator Brown and it was adopted, by a vote of 14 to 24 as follows:

Ayes—Brackett (Rep.), Brown, W. L. (Rep.), Burns (Rep.), Chahoon (Rep.), Coggeshall (Rep.), Daley (Rep.), Grant (Rep.), Higbie (Rep.), Johnson (Rep.), Krum (Rep.), Lamy (Rep.), Lexow (Rep.), Malby (Rep.), Page (Rep.), Parsons (Rep.), Pavey (Rep.), Raines (Rep.), Seibert (Rep.), Sheppard (Rep.), Stewart (Rep.), Stranahan (Rep.), Wieman (Rep.), Wilcox (Rep.)—23.

Nays—Ahearn (Dem.), Brown, E. R. (Rep.), Brush (Rep.), Cantor (Dem.), Coffey (Dem.), Ellsworth (Rep.), Featherston (Dem.), Foley (Dem.), Ford (Rep.), Higgins (Rep.), Humphrey (Rep.), Martin (Dem.), Nussbaum (Rep.), White (Rep.)—14.

A Civil Service Reform Trick.

The Republican Legislature of 1897, had passed a law providing a "merit" and a "fitness" examination for persons desiring to enter the civil service of the State or any of its cities. This was found satisfactory by the Republican party, until Democratic mayors were elected in the fall of 1897, in the cities of New York, Albany, Troy, Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, and Buffalo. Then, so far as the cities were concerned, it became odious to them; for it permitted the Mayors to remove inefficient Republican officials and clerks, and to put efficient Democratic officials and clerks in their place. Accordingly, the Legislature of 1898 has attempted to protect the Republican office holders in the cities from removal. It passed a law designed to sweep away the "merit" and the "fitness" examinations in the cities; while retaining those examinations in the State departments. The ludicrous anomaly is thus presented of two kinds of "civil service reform law," one referring solely to State departments, and one as to cities—and of a totally different character. The "method of this madness" is clear: the Republican State officials, at Albany, are to be given a free hand in making appointments to official positions, while hand-cuffs are to be put on the Democrats in this respect, who control appointments in the cities.

Road Improvement Miserably Supported.

While money to the extent of \$500,000 was lavished upon the purchase of Adirondack lands of dubious value, the entirely insufficient sum of \$50,000 only was appropriated to initiate the road improvement movement in this State. The farmers of the State sadly need a most extensive improvement of their roads; so that it is a matter for severe censure, that while expending millions extravagantly, no appropriation of any moment was made to begin road improvement.

Workingmen Refused an Appointment.

Governor Black's nominations for prominent State positions were wholly of a partisan character, and adverse to the interests of the State. Two instances may be mentioned. The railroad men of the State believed that Peter F. Keefe, a railroad conductor, should be appointed a member of the Railroad Commission. Michael Rickard, a railroad engineer, had held a prominent element in the railroad service, the special representative of the workmen element in the railroad service. Governor Hill, a Democrat, had appointed Mr. Rickard to this position. Mr. Rickard died in the fall of 1896, and against the protest of the workmen, Governor Black appointed Frank M. Baker to fill out his unexpired term. Mr. Baker's term expired in the early part of the present year, 1898. Once more the workmen asked for Peter F. Keefe's appointment; but Governor Black refused to grant their request and reappointed Baker, who was confirmed by the Republican Senate by the following vote:

Ayes—Brown, E. R., Brown, W. L., Brush, Baker, Chahoon, Coggeshall, Daley, C. Davis, G. A. Davis, Ford, Grant, Harrison, Higbie, Higgins, Humphrey, Johnson, Krum, Lamy, Malby, Nussbaum, Page, Parsons, Raines, Seibert, Sheppard, Stewart, Stranahan, White, Wieman, Wilcox, Wray—31.

Nays—Ahearn, Cantor, Coffey, Foley, Gallagher, Guy, Koehler, Martin, McCarren, McNulty, Munzinger, Sullivan, Tibbitts—13.

All those who voted for Baker's confirmation and thus in opposition to the workmen's candidate, Mr. Keefe.

An Unfit Prison Superintendent.

Another instance of indifference to the public welfare was exhibited when the term expired of Austin Lathrop, the Superintendent of State Prisons. Mr. Lathrop had been a conspicuously able superintendent of prisons and deserved reappointment, but Governor Black took another course. He picked up a Republican henchman of his, named Cornelius V. Collins, and named him Superintendent of State Prisons. So obvious was the appointment of Collins to the welfare of the State, that Senator Tibbitts, a Republican Senator, felt compelled to resist the confirmation of Collins.

MILITARY ADMINISTRATION.

A Calm Presentation of Facts that Demand Investigation.

[From the New York Journal of Commerce.]

This paper has not made haste to accuse the Secretary or the heads of bureaus in the War Department. We have more than once pointed out, what is so often forgotten, that the task of the War Department was vastly more extensive and infinitely more complicated than the task of the Navy Department. We have recognized the fact that celerity at Santiago was so very important, and led to such substantial results that it may have justified caution.

But after all this is admitted, what do we have left? Soldiers short of food with food within reach which it seems to be the business of no one to supply to them. Men in heavy woolen clothing in a tropical country, and linen uniforms not even thought of until after the need for them arose, though six weeks before the war began and three months and a half before any troops were sent to Cuba, Congress appropriated \$500,000 for the expense of preparation. Suppose the lack of hospital tents and blankets and other things at Santiago was due to the "act of God" in the loss of the lighters, we still have to face the fact that transport after transport, unclean and unfound was crowded with the sick and wounded when not half the space in hospital ships was occupied, and were dispatched with few or no doctors, and typhoid fever patients had no ice or even fresh water and only the coarsest and heartiest food, and that after the sick and wounded were placed on these transport under these forbidding conditions they were rolling around the Caribbean Sea for three weeks, though the slowest of the steamers could have reached New York in six days.

If the soldiers have been cared for as well as circumstances permitted; then was is almost an impossibility, and an army cannot be kept upon its feet. If Toral had had food enough to enable him to hold out for two weeks more Shafter's army would have ceased to exist. Could that army have been replaced from the typhoid infected camps at Falls Church and Chickamauga? If Spain had not succumbed, we still had to contemplate sending 100,000 or 150,000 troops to besiege Havana in October what would be our emotions?

The Secretary of War, and the leading heads of bureaus in the War Department are now under indictment before the bar of public opinion for incompetence, and they have got to defend themselves, and it is utterly childish for Mr. Alger to assure the public every few days that he is entirely satisfied with himself and his assistants. Somebody is to blame; who is it? What has President McKinley to say?

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 24.—Fair to-night; increasing cloudiness and warmer Sunday, North gales diminishing and becoming variable.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 67°; 12 m., 65°; 3 p. m., 58°.

JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

Pursuant to resolution adopted by the Democratic Judicial Convention, held at the County Court House, on the 29th day of September, 1897, authorizing the undersigned to issue the call fixing the time and place for the holding of the next succeeding Democratic Judicial Convention in said Judicial District:
The Democratic Convention for the nomination of two Justices of the Supreme Court to be elected at the ensuing general election in and for the Second Judicial District, comprising the counties of Kings, Queens, Suffolk, Richmond, Rockland, Orange, Dutchess, Putnam and Westchester is hereby called to convene at the County Court House, in the borough of Brooklyn, in Kings County, on Wednesday, the 5th day of October, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon.
Dated at said borough of Brooklyn, this 21st day of September, 1898.ISAAC M. KAPFER, Chairman Judicial Convention of 1897.
TRYING BROWN,
J. J. BEAUDRIAS,
Secretaries.

SENATORIAL CONVENTION.

The Democrats of the 23d Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Orange and Rockland, are requested to meet at the place of holding their last town or ward caucuses on Saturday, Oct. 1st, 1898 (unless otherwise ordered or said delegates have been already elected), to select delegates to represent them in the Senatorial Convention, to be held at the County Court House, in the city of Newburgh, on Tuesday, October 4th, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for State Senator, and to transact such other business as may properly come before such convention.

E. A. BROWN,
CHAS. M. VAIL,
J. J. MCCLUNG,
THOS. FILLON,
J. A. POLHEMUS,
MICHAEL McCABE.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

For Member of Assembly (Second District),
DANIEL P. SCHULTZ, of Port Jervis.

Much interesting political matter will be found on the third page of this paper.

When it comes to evading taxation in New York city, Theodore Roosevelt is a resident of Washington and so swears; but when it comes to running for office he insists he is still a New Yorker.

Black and his friends may succeed in killing off Roosevelt by raising the question of his eligibility, but having done so, they have not improved Black's chances of securing a renomination. The only effect, thus far, of this last attack on the machine's candidate is to intensify the bitterness of the machine toward Black and the handful of Republicans who are aiding him.

At Democratic headquarters in New York, Friday, there was much talk of Mayor Van Wyck as the candidate for Governor. In the evening Richard Croker said that although the Democrats of New York city did not want to lose their Mayor, they would not stand in the way of his nomination if the representatives of the Democracy of the State thought him the strongest and best candidate.

The \$1,000,000 appropriated by the State for war expenses has practically all been spent. The balance on hand is \$182,055, and there are bills to the amount of \$150,000 still outstanding. Gov. Black and Adjutant General Tillinghast boast that there is a voucher for every dollar expended. So, too, was there a voucher for every dollar expended of the \$9,000,000 canal appropriation through a third of it was stolen.

Black, Lexow, Pavn and Lauterbach declare that Roosevelt is not eligible for Governor, basing their belief on the section of the constitution requiring a five-years' residence in the State, and an affidavit made by Roosevelt in March last, in which, in order to escape taxation in New York city, he swore he was a resident of Washington, and had been since October, 1897. Platt, Odell, Quigg and Platt's lawyers claim that Roosevelt has satisfied them that, although he swore he was a resident of Washington, he was and is a resident of Oyster Bay, L. I., and is therefore eligible. The situation is an interesting one, and Roosevelt's candidacy seems to hang on his ability to prove that the affidavit he made, last spring, was false, and that isn't a good starting point for a campaign.

Unless Kings county insists on having both the Democratic nominations for Justices of the Supreme Court in this district there will be no stronger candidate before the convention than William F. O'Neill, of this city. Mr. O'Neill was an emergency candidate in 1896, after men on whom the Democratic party had heaped rewards and honors had flunked nominations, which they sought when the prospects of success seemed brighter, and there are thousands of Democrats in all parts of the district who feel grateful to him for the sacrifices he then made, and who remember his gallant fight and his strong run, and now that the skies are bright with the promise of Democratic victory, they are anxious to honor and reward him. If nominated, Mr. O'Neill would make a phenomenal run in Orange County.

INVESTIGATION BEGUN.

Meeting of the Commission to Investigate Alger.

THE BRIDGEPORT MYSTERY.

The Police Tell What They Know Concerning It.

First Meeting of the Commission to Investigate the War Department.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—The commission to investigate the conduct of the War Department during the conflict with Spain held its initial meeting in the office of President McKinley at the White House to-day.

Eight members were present, and it was announced that the services of a ninth man were counted upon, though his name was not made public. The eight men present were: Major General Granville M. Dodge, Col. J. A. Sexton, Capt. E. P. Howell, Major General J. M. Wilson, Hon. Chas. Denby, ex-Governor Urban A. Woodbury, ex-Governor James D. Beaver, of Pennsylvania, and Major A. McCook.

The appearance of Gov. Beaver as a member of the commission was a surprise, as his selection was not known until he appeared at the White House at the beginning of the session.

BRIDGEPORT'S MURDER MYSTERY

The Police Tell the Facts They Have Learned Concerning the Affair.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 24.—Police Superintendent Birmingham to-day made the following statement regarding the Yellow Mill Pond murder:

We know that Harry Oxley was responsible for Emma Gill's condition and arranged with Nancy Guilford to perform an abortion on the girl. We know the girl came to Bridgeport and died in Nancy Guilford's house two weeks ago to-night. The body was cut up in that house the next day and put in the bath tub. Mrs. Guilford, on Saturday night, hired a team at a livery stable and the head and legs of the victim were placed in that carriage.

I am convinced that Harry Guilford, Mrs. Guilford's son, on his bicycle led the way, while Mrs. Guilford followed in the carriage. He rode direct to the Bishop avenue cut. There the stones that weighted the package were secured. Harry Guilford lifted the packages from the carriage and threw them into the pond. The same procedure was repeated next night when the trunk was disposed of.

Eduora Guilford, Mrs. Guilford's daughter assisted her mother in disposing of the body.

Harry Oxley is the man we want. Howard Gurnsey is not guilty. A colored woman, Mrs. Rosa Drayton, and her daughter, Clara, who were arrested, last night, will prove important witnesses.

Harry Guilford was arraigned to-day on a charge alleging an attempt to procure an abortion on Emma Gill. He was committed to jail without bail.

Walter C. Foster was also arraigned on a similar charge but was discharged upon the recommendation of the prosecuting attorney.

VERY MUCH ALIVE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Louise King, who was reported by her maid to have been drowned, a week ago Sunday, at Coney Island, is alive. She was married, last night, at Hotel Waldorf, to S. Lloyd Chamberlain, Secretary of the Produce Exchange Trust Company.

PEACE COMMISSION IN LONDON.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The train with the American Peace Commissioners on board arrived here at 12:30 p. m. to-day. The Commissioners are now staying at the Hotel Cecil where they will remain until Monday when they will leave London at 7 a. m. for Paris.

ROOSEVELT THINKS HE'S ELIGIBLE

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt, this morning, said: "The story that I am ineligible for the nomination for the governorship of New York is nonsense. I am as sure I am eligible as I am sure that I can walk."

NOMINATED FOR ASSEMBLYMAN.

Special to the DAILY ARGUS.
NEWBURGH, Sept. 24.—John E. Ward, of Crawford was to-day nominated for the Assembly by the Democrats of the First District.

WELL-KNOWN RAILROAD MAN DEAD.

FISHKILL, LINDSEY, Sept. 24.—John M. Toucey, formerly General Manager of the New York Central Railroad, died here late last night.

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Suits,

Pants, Etc.

Our Men's Fall Overcoat, in the new shade of covert cloth, made French faced, box back, at \$6.98, is equal to the \$10 grade. Men's Suits \$3.48 up. A large line all wool suits, in black, blue or mixtures, at \$4.98.

MORRIS B. WOLF,

No. 10 NORTH STREET.

One Price Blue Front Store.

Stern's.

We have all the newest novelties in

Fall Millinery, Children's, Misses' and Ladies' Jackets,

Fall Capes, Fall Shirt Waists,

And a complete line of Ladies' Fall Tailor-Made Suits. Our regular opening will be announced later. Respectfully

L. STERN, 13-15 NORTH ST.

We Call Your Special Attention to Our Display of New Fall Kid Gloves



The Neptune at \$1.25, the Abbott at \$1.25, the Theodore at \$1, the Chester at \$1. For Misses, the Pauline at \$1, and a complete line for gents in colors and black.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

SCHOOL DAYS.

It will be necessary to start your boys to school with a complete new outfit. We offer special inducements in

Boys' and Children's Clothing.

We have inaugurated a special sale of Boys' and Children's Clothing AT HALF PRICE. \$10 Suits at \$5, \$5 Suits at \$2.50, \$4 Suits at \$2, \$3 Suits at \$1.50, \$2.50 Suits at \$1.25, \$2 Suits at \$1.

See Our South Window for These Values.

This is no fake advertisement. Our individual reputations are behind this statement. Our object is to advertise ourselves, and a loss on each suit is counted as expense on advertising. Boys' Caps 10c up, Children's Caps 5c up. On account of continuation of hot weather, discount of 10 per cent. in NECKWEAR.—In Neckties we are showing a fine line in the latest shades and patterns at 25 and 50c. MEN'S UNDERWEAR.—New case of Underwear received. They are regular 75c goods. As a special drive 60 cents.

ADAMS & BOYD,

No. 41 North Street, Middletown

NEW TO-DAY.

Cape Cod Cranberries, Fancy New No. 1 Mackerel, New Evaporated Apples, New Citron, Currants, Raisins, Malaga and Tokay Grapes, Splendid Celery, Cauliflower, Fancy White Table Onions, Small White Pickling Onions, Fresh Spinach, Lima Beans, Wax Beans, Cucumbers. Receiving Every Morning Fresh Corn, Egg Plant, Colorado Melons, etc.

CITY GROCERS.

Bull & Youngblood.

56 North St., Opp. Postoffice.

TELEPHONE CALL 55.

Cottage Hotel Entertainments.

WEEK OF SEPT. 19.

Kate Brill, balladist and descriptive vocalist, Vic Dunn, serio-comic and dancer, Laughable farce, "Load of Wood," Cathrin—Reyerd, up-to-date song songs; Dick Laggett, eccentric come-dia, and long wooden shoe dancer, Fowler & Fowler, you all know them—John D. Dillon, America's descriptive vocalist.

P. S.—Don't forget the grand ball, Thursday night, in connection with the above show. Cars leave for Middletown at 1 a. m., and Goshen at 12:30.

Gas Engines.

It is now a well-known fact that gas is a superior motive power.

Requiring No Fuel, No Coal, No Wood

and making no ashes, hence no cleaning, and depending with engineers and firemen, making a saving sufficient to operate any sized plant where power is needed.

I AM THE SOLE AGENT for the well-known and always reliable

HARTIG Gas or Gasoline ENGINES.

One can be seen in successful operation in my store and work room. Any one in need of power will do well by first looking into the merits of the HARTIG. Every engine guaranteed.

CHAS. H. BRINK,

16 King St., Times Building.

A Good Man Wanted.

A good opportunity for the right man for Orange county or local district is preferred. Wanted, a man well and advantageously known, (practical man preferred,) to sell on commission, Billings, King & Co.'s High Grade Paints and Varnishes. Apply, with references and full particulars of qualifications, to BILLINGS, KING & CO., 48 Pearl St., New York City. A painter, upon application will receive from us valuable hints on painting and varnishing. dFrit, to July 1, '99

Gents' Fixings.

NECKWEAR—

Silk Tecks 15c. Puffs, latest shapes, 29c. Imperials 35c., usual 50c.

SUSPENDERS—

A special lot at 10c., Wilson buckle, drawer supporter, kid trimmings, same as others charge 25c.

SHIRTS—

New Colored Shirts for fall. Nobby colored bosoms, with separate cuffs, 49 cts

Always for boys, a new line with two separate collars.

For the Boys.

The Mrs. Hopkins' Suite or Knee Pants, made double seat and knees, warranted not to rip. Good Cheviot Suits, 4 to 16 years, \$1.19. Suits, 2 to 5 years, with vest and combination collar, \$1.49. Knee Pants 15c. Fall Overcoats, for boys, 4 years up.

STOP AND EXAMINE THEM

WHEN OUT SHOPPING.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

Laundry Soap.

Ten cakes choice Laundry Soap for 25 cents.

B. F. TODD, 121 North St.

More Pointers.

—Gift Books—new ones for all occasions

—New Games—Have you seen "Conette?" It is better than "Pillow Dex."

—A new first class Letter Copying Press only \$3.00.

—Bibles—See our new "Worker's Bible" only \$1.17.

—Artistically Framed Water Colors only \$1.19

—Remember we take subscriptions for all publications at publisher's rates.

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

A HORSE SHOE

Is a good omen, but the lucky shoe that brings ease and beauty to the foot is our \$2 Shoe for ladies.

All style toes, button or lace.

Follow the footprints to

C. D. HANFORD'S,

No. 43 North Street.

THE MIDDLETOWN CITY BOOKSTORE

School Books, Tablets, Pencil Boxes, Pens, Ink, Lead Pencils for school use.

S. W. MILLSAUGH & CO.,

20 North street.

Largest Stock!

Best Assortment!

Lowest Prices!

Ladies', Gent's and Children's

Summer Underwear. Silk Mitts and Gloves, colors and black.

Summer Corsets, Sun Umbrellas, Fans and Outing Shirts. Linen

Suits for boys. All sizes. Navy Style.

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The Largest CARPET SALE

ever known in Middletown
will begin

To-Night, at 7 O'clock,

AT THE

FURNITURE STORE OF C.
EMMET CRAWFORD.

For Further Particulars Call
Early.

N. B.—For Sale Cheap—Two
Horses, suitable for business
purposes or road driving. One
of them is an extra good roader.
Both are kind and gentle for a
lady to drive.

C. E. Crawford,
44 AND 46 NORTH ST.

BEAUTIFUL BATH SPONGES

SEE IN OUR WINDOW BATH
SPONGES, handsomer, better,
larger than we've ever before
offered.

And we've small Bath
Sponges, down to the size of
an eye sponge.

See also our Carriage
Sponges, all sizes and at fair
prices.

Chamois Skins, too, for
your carriage, soft, firm and
durable.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30
North St. and 155 North St.
(North Side Pharmacy.)

LANA OIL TOILET SOAP
is in our opinion the finest
toilet soap ever sold for the
money—3 cakes for 25 cents.

Our opinion is endorsed by
crowds of people of good taste
and refinement.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30
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(North Side Pharmacy.)



ACME HYGIENIC COUCH.

Health and Comfort.

SPRING EDGE, SEAT AND HEAD.

Spring section composed of 38 oil tempered steel
springs interlaid into steel woven wire fabric;
steel bolts steel, no glue or webbing to wear
out or break down. Every spring in plain view.

Upholstered in Moth-Proof Acme,
Velour or Corduroy.

Every ACME COUCH bears their printed guar-
antee. We are their sole agents for this city and
they can be seen at

The Cheapest House Furnishers.

**FRANCE &
HATHAWAY,**
25 AND 27 EAST MAIN STREET.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

—Wagon cheap. See adv. of Empires State
Wagon Co.
—More pointers at Hartford & Horton's.
—Wagon cheap. Middletown Wagon Co.
—See Frank D. Kernochan's adv.
—Carpet sale at C. E. Crawford's.
—Ice cream soda at W. D. Olney's.
—Fall kid gloves at Carson & Towner's.
—Pocket book lost.
—Fresh fish and oysters at Hartford's.
—"When London Sleeps," at Casino, Sept. 23rd.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic electors of the State of New
York are requested to attend the Democratic
State and three alternate from each Assembly
District to a State Convention, to be held at
Syracuse, Wednesday, Sept. 28th, at 12
o'clock noon, for the purpose of placing in nomi-
nation candidates to be voted for at the ensuing
general election and to transact such other
business as may properly come before the con-
vention.

ELLIOT DANFORTH, Chairman.
August 16th, 1898.

CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The Democrats of the Seventeenth Con-
gressional District of the State of New York
are hereby requested to send delegates to a con-
vention, to be held in Middletown, N. Y., at the Ca-
sino, on the 7th day of October, 1898, at 12 o'clock
noon, for the purpose of placing in nomination a
Democratic candidate for Member of Congress
in said district, and to transact such other busi-
ness as may properly come before said con-
vention.

By order of Congressional Committee.
Dated September 20th, 1898.

A. S. EMBLER, Chairman.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—"Lost, Strayed or Stolen" at the
Casino, Monday evening.

—A nine pound salmon was caught in
the Delaware near Milford, a few days
ago.

—Miss Lulu Myer, of Milford, Pa., will
preach at Faith Mission, to-morrow
evening.

—B. S. Smith is having a new roof
put, on his fine residence, No. 3 Lake
avenue.

—"Oh, for a war here" is the Kingston
Freeman's perforce to an article concern-
ing the coal war in this city.

—Michael I. Pickett's farm house, near
Newburgh, was destroyed by fire, Thurs-
day afternoon. No insurance.

—The Traction Company announces
that its winter schedule will go into
effect from Monday morning.

—At 3 o'clock, yesterday, the ther-
mometer stood at 82°. To-day, at the
same hour, it was 58°, a fall of 24°.

—Rev. Father Nixon, of Chester, has
succeeded Rev. Father Lyman, as an as-
sistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church,
Newburgh.

—Twenty-four cents a hundred pounds
is being paid for cider apples delivered on
the cars at several points along the
O. and W.

—Port Jervis clergymen will hold an
autumn camp meeting in that village
under a big tent. Rev. A. W. Buck will
be in charge.

—The new Hero Hobson March is a
perfect piece of music and brings up
recollections of the young officer's brave
deed.

—News of our Sullivan county neigh-
bors, church announcements, and other
local items will be found on the second
page to-day.

—The Franklin Town Insurance Co., of
Delaware county, has levied an assess-
ment of \$1,875 to meet its losses by
lightning during the season.

—Miss Lottie Wells, the accomplished
violinist will assist Miss Gumaer in the
orchestra for "When London Sleeps," at
the Casino, Thursday evening.

—Seats for the horse show are being
taken by Middletowners from the chart
which has been left at the store of Chas.
Wolff, jr., North and King streets.

—Ex-Mayor Green, of Binghamton,
President of the Commercial Travelers'
Home Association has started an endless
chain for the benefit of the Home build-
ing fund.

—While operating an ensilage cutter, a
few days ago, George Keller, of Cannons-
ville, Delaware county, caught his hand
in the knives, and it was amputated at
the wrist.

—S. S. Van Saun, who for many years
has been the efficient and popular chief of
Warwick's fire department, has an-
nounced that he will not be a candidate
for re-election.

—Dr. John Martin, of New York, who
owns a tract of land near the Port Jervis
driving park, is planning to build a dam
in the Neversink so as to flood about 125
acres and form a fine lake.

—"Lost, Strayed or Stolen" is consid-
ered an excellent production and the
Casino management is to be complimented
on securing such an attraction for
theatre-goers. The play will be produced
Monday evening.

—James H. Wallick's "When London
Sleeps" will be the attraction at the Ca-
sino next Thursday evening. The play
has had a long run in New York city and
will undoubtedly draw a crowded house
upon its production next Thursday even-
ing.

—A weasel with a strongly developed
appetite for cats has recently killed six
cats belonging to Patrick Lyon, of Port
Jervis. There is a fine opening for a
weasel of that kind in that city, where
superficious cats abound.

—Owing to the absence of Rev. David
Evans, who is on his vacation, there
will be no service in Grace Church, to-
morrow morning. Rev. George C. Betts,
of Goshen, will take charge of the ser-
vice in the evening, and will preach.

—The 24th Separate Co. Band will
play for the first time the new Hero
Hobson march, dedicated to the young
naval hero and published by the eminent
artist, J. C. Silder, Sunday afternoon at
Midway Park, at 3 p. m. The band will
also play Sousa's new Charleston March
for the first time.

For forty years Dr. Fowler's Extract
of Wild Strawberry has been curing
summer complaint, dysentery, diarrhoea,
bloody flux, pain in the stomach, and it
has never yet failed to do everything
claimed for it.

PERSONAL.

—Claude Reil left to-day for a visit with
Kingston friends.

—Lieut. Geo. Wallace is expected to
arrive here Wednesday.

—James P. Tighe, went to Newburgh
to-day, to spend Sunday.

—Theo. Reinecke Jr. went to Elizabeth,
N. J., to-day, to spend Sunday.

—Master Russell Shaw is spending a
few days with Port Jervis friends.

—George Carpenter, who has been ill
for some days, resumed his place at the
Palma, to-day.

—Louis Frankenstein went to New
York city, this afternoon, and will re-
turn, Monday.

—Miss Booth, who has been the guest
of Miss May Dicks, returned to New
York, to-day.

—Rev. David Evans went to New York,
this afternoon, to spend a few days with
his old friend, Rev. Walpole Warren.

—Mr. and Mrs. Nate Hubbard, who
have been spending a few days with J. C.
Howland, went to Walden, to-day, for a
few days' visit.

—Dr. W. H. Sanford, who has been
visiting his father at Liberty, stopped in
this city, to-day, to visit Frank Harding.
He is on his way to his home in New
Haven.

—Mrs. H. W. Corey, who was so criti-
cally ill on Thursday evening as to cause
alarm to her friends, is considerably im-
proved. Mr. Corey is also confined to
the house by a severe attack of malarial
fever, having suffered a relapse after
being about the city, last Tuesday.

—Mrs. Le Compt, for many years resi-
dent of this city, who, of late, has been
living in Monticello, spent a few hours
with Middletown friends, Friday after-
noon. Mrs. Le Compt was on her way
to New York, where she will make her
home with her married daughters.

OLD FOLKS' DAY.

A Pleasant Event at the First Congrega-
tional Church—Interesting Exercises
and a Fine Supper.

Old Folks' Day was observed, Friday,
at the First Congregational Church.
The day proved propitious, and some
forty of the older people were present.
The young people served a bountiful
supper in skillful fashion to about fifty
guests.

The exercises of the afternoon were in
charge of the pastor, Rev. Dr. Robinson,
and were of unusual excellence. The
choir furnished delightful music, includ-
ing in their selections a fine solo by Miss
Jennie Berthoff and an excellent number
by a quartette of ladies. Appropriate
readings, part of them humorous, were
given by Mrs. Charles Schwartz, Mrs. R.
H. Ayres, Mrs. Charles Mapes and Mrs.
E. A. Tice. By a skillful arrangement
of screens, rugs, and furniture, with a
lavish use of flowers and vines, a part
of the chapel was transformed into an at-
tractive reception parlor, and each guest
at the beautifully arranged tables was
furnished with a boutonniere of roses.

These, with quite a part of the other
floral decorations, were the gift of Mrs.
Geo. S. Belding. Cordial references were
made to those unable to attend, and
tender allusions to those who meet no
more with us in outward presence.

This annual gathering of the old folks
as guests of the young people is a custom
increasingly prized by young and old,
and is an occasion for promoting most
happily their genial fellowship.

DEATH OF A SOLDIER.

Private Walter Bennett, a Port Jervis
Recruit, succumbed to Cuban Fever.

Walter Bennett, a private in Co. I,
Second U. S. Infantry, died at 3 o'clock,
Friday morning, at his home at Long
Eddy, Sullivan county, of a fever con-
tracted in Cuba during the Santiago
campaign. He was twenty-two years
old and was employed on the Erie when
he enlisted. He went out with the Port
Jervis recruits.

Private Bennett's death is the second
that has occurred among the Port Jervis
recruits, private Thomas Dadrick having
died of Cuban fever while his regiment
was in camp near Santiago after the
surrender of the city.

OBITUARY.

Frederick Harnack.

Frederick Harnack, father of Mrs. John
Kuhlman, of this city, died, Wednesday
night at "Glen Cottage," the home of his
daughter, Mrs. Edward Smith at
Sparrowbush, aged seventy-nine years.

Mr. Harnack was born in Hamburg,
Germany, and came to this country over
fifty years ago. He kept a grocery store
in New York for a time and then removed
to Honesdale where he was in the same
business for nearly twenty years. About
twenty-one years ago he removed to
Port Jervis.

He is survived by his widow and two
sons and four daughters.

Bicycle Race Did Not Come off.

About fifty persons assembled at the
North End, this morning, to see Eddie
Naud and Jack Pool start on a bicycle
race to Bloomingburgh. Naud was on
hand with his wheel promptly at 9 o'clock,
but Pool did not show up until fifteen
minutes later, and then came without
his wheel, and consequently the race was
declared off.

High Prices for Cows.

M. B. Austin, auctioneer, sold, Friday
at Ridgebury, for Charles Knapp and
Silas Hulse, twenty-six cows at an
average price of \$46. The bidding was
spirited and some of the cows sold for
over \$50.

SPINAL EXTRACT

NABBED WITH THEIR SWAG.

Burglars Who Robbed the Store and
Post Office at Arden Captured in Jersey
City.

William McClelland's general store at
Arden was entered by burglars, Thurs-
day night, and robbed of a quantity of
goods, and a quantity of stamps were
stolen from the post office, which is in
the store. Two men carrying bundles
boarded an east bound Erie train at Ar-
den station, Friday morning, and when
the burglary was discovered a dispatch
was sent to the Erie officials at Jersey
City, asking them to look out for the
men. The dispatch was turned over to
two Jersey City policemen, and when the
men alighted from the train they were
arrested.

They gave their names as Frank Bush
and Michael Reinhardt, of New York city,
and told improbable and contradictory
stories. Each man carried a loaded re-
volver and when their bundles were
opened they were found to contain new
shoes and a number of sheets of postage
stamps. The men were locked up.
Later Mr. McClelland went to Jersey
City and identified the goods found on
the prisoners as having been taken from
his store. Requisitions will be secured
and the prisoners brought back to
Orange county for trial.

When news of the arrest was first re-
ceived it was thought that the men
might be those who were engaged in the
robbing of Knight & Conklin's safe at
Monroe, Monday night, but this is not
likely. The men under arrest are burglars
and invited capture while those engaged
in the job at Monroe were experienced in
the business and laid their plans of
escape carefully and successfully.

BLACK PATTI'S TROUBADOURS

Gave a Very Satisfactory Entertainment
at the Casino.

Black Patti's Troubadours gave one
of the funniest performances that has
been seen at the Casino in a long time,
Friday night. The audience was large
and kept the house ringing with laughter
and applause.

Miss Jones was in very good voice and
gave fifteen minutes of delightful enter-
tainment. Her oldtime favorites were
especially well received.

The show was given entirely by ne-
groes and they had been well selected.
The ragtime dancer was a wonder, and
she won the cakewalk for her partner
easily.

STRUCK BY A PUSHER ENGINE.

An Italian Track Hand Badly Hurt at
Ryerson's Bridge.

From Our Goshen Correspondent.

An Italian track hand was struck by
the Erie pusher engine at Ryerson's
bridge, this morning. His right leg was
broken several times, and he received
cuts about the head. He was taken to
the Port Jervis Hospital on No. 3, where
his leg will be amputated.

Death From the Fright and Shock of a
Runaway Accident.

Mrs. Hester Lane Miles, an aged resi-
dent of Cannonsville, was driving near
that village, Wednesday afternoon, when
her horse took fright and began to back,
throwing Mrs. Miles out. Apparently
she sustained no injury and picked her-
self up, and started to walk, but in a few
moments collapsed and died. Heart
failure, due to fright and shock, is sup-
posed to have caused death.

Mrs. Goodfellow Gets the Barrel of
Flour.

Snyder & Fancher have been informed
by the Worcester Salt Company that the
barrel of flour offered to the person
guessing nearest to the number of sam-
ples of salt given away during the Or-
ange County Fair, has been awarded to
Mrs. M. J. Goodfellow, of 14 West Main
street. Her guess was 3,256, and the
number of samples given out was 3,252.

Extra Cars to Midway Park to Be Dis-
continued Monday.

The winter time table goes into effect
on the trolley line, Monday. It simply
means the retiring of the Midway Park
extra cars. Cars leave for Goshen on the
half hour, and leave there at eight and
thirty-eight minutes after the hour. The
merry-go-round and Academy avenue
and North street service is unchanged.

Notes That the Endorsements Were
Forged.

Surrogate Howell has sustained the
action of the administrator of the estate
of the late Theron Snider, of Walden, in
rejecting three notes on which the signa-
ture of the deceased appeared as endorser.
The Surrogate holds that the endorse-
ments were forged.

The Chestnut Crop a Good One.

The crop of chestnuts is reported to be
especially good this fall, and the two
frosts which have struck the burrs have
opened some of them nicely. Chestnut
parties at Midway Park have returned
with bulging pockets.

Waiting, Idly Waiting.

Deputy Sheriff Hull was in town, to-
day. He stated to a reporter that "We
are waiting for some one to bring Grun-
dinski to us. There are four or five men
in Middletown who know where he is."

A Magical Life Saver.

Is Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart.
After years of pain and agony with dis-
tressing Heart disease, it gives relief in
thirty minutes. Thos. Petry, of Aymer,
Que., writes: "I had suffered for five
years with a severe form of heart disease.
I was unable to attend to business.
The slightest exertion produced fatigue.
Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gave me
instant relief, four bottles entirely cured
me."

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN
GOSHEN TOWN.

Horse Show Prizes on Exhibition—A Clock
Soldier—A Daylight Burglary—Other
Notes—A New Bridge—Palating the
Cider Works.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

Seven of the twelve prize cups to be
competed for at the Horse Show are on
exhibition at the jewelry store of C.
Hulse & Son.

Richard Powers, private of the Sec-
ond Infantry, is seriously ill at the home
of his mother, in this village, of typhoid
malaria, contracted at Santiago.

During the absence from home on
Thursday, of a farm hand named Schenck,
who resides near Howell's creamery,
some one entered the premises and stole
a watch, \$1.75 in money and a quantity
of eatables.

Dudley Murray, who has been very ill,
is much better.

C. S. Hulse and family will start to-
night for Niagara Falls. They will be
absent a week.

A new bridge is being built over the
Rio Grande, near Ryerson's bridge.

Percy Wiener returned, Wednesday,
from Antwerp.

An Ellenville firm has been awarded
the contract to paint the cider works.
Ellenville people did not contribute any-
thing toward removing the plant to
Goshen, however.

ENFORCING THE GAME LAWS.

Dr. Kidd Offers Rewards for Evidence of
Illegal Deer Hunting and Partridge
Shooting.

Dr. Willett Kidd, of Newburgh, fish
and game protector, offers \$25 reward
for evidence that will convict any person
of catching, killing or bounding deer in
Sullivan county, or killing deer in Orange
county during the close season, or kill-
ing or pursuing deer in this county with
any dog.

Dr. Kidd also offers a reward of \$25
for evidence that will convict any one in
Orange, Sullivan, Rockland or Putnam
counties, of snaring, netting or trapping
partridges.

State Bankers' Association at Liberty.

The New York Bankers' Association
went to Liberty, Friday afternoon,
about one hundred strong. The special
train, which reached here at 4 o'clock,
stopped at the Wickham avenue station
long enough for Mr. Seeholzer to serve a
luncheon on the train.

Bert Rockefeller an Assistant in the
Hospital at Monauk.

Mrs. Cooper, the nurse formerly of this
city, who is now in charge of one of the
wards at the general hospital at Mon-
tauk, writes that Bert Rockefeller has
been assigned to duty in the hospital
and is one of the most competent and
available men in the service.

Official Visit to Lancelot Lodge.

State Deputy D. J. Auchmoody, of the
Knights of Pythias, visited Lancelot
Lodge, Friday night, and addressed the
members. The secret work was also
exemplified.

Ontario and Western Earnings.

The Ontario and Western reports for
the second week in September earnings
of \$83,054, an increase of \$620 over the
corresponding week last year.

McQuoid's Parade Day Festival.

McQuoid Engine Company will hold a
festival at the Assembly Rooms, Octo-
ber 6, after the annual parade.

Men, women and children who are
troubled with sores, humors, pimples,
etc., may find permanent relief in Hood's
Sarsaparilla.

SCROFULA

It is Foul Blood's Advertise-
ment

But it is Soon Cured by Hood's
Sarsaparilla.

Yes, Scrofula, if anything, may be called
the advertisement of foul blood. It is the
 scourge of the world—offensive, painful,
debilitating, stubborn and well nigh
unmendable.

Outward applications do not cure, they
only drive the difficulty to new quarters.
Emollients may palliate, they cannot
abolish the evil. There is but one sure
way out, and that is to eliminate the
taint from the blood.

There is one remedy that can effect this,
and it is the only one that, so far as we
know, has almost invariably succeeded—
even where the system has been poisoned
by long years of taint, and the ravages to
be repaired are tremendous. That remedy
is Hood's Sarsaparilla. Read this:

"My daughter was afflicted with im-
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TWO ARRESTS MADE

Acquiring Clues In the Gill Murder Case.

CHARLES PLUMB HAS BEEN RELEASED

An Express Package Serves as Evidence—Walter Foster Secures Counsel—Harry Guilford Makes a Statement.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 24.—Two more arrests have been made in connection with the Gill murder case.

Detective Arnold and Sergeant Smith of the Hartford police arrested at Southington, Conn., last night Harry Osley and Howard Gernsey. Both arrests were made at 8 o'clock.

The two are charged with complicity in the taking off of Emma Gill. Gernsey is the son of Samuel Gernsey, a member of the Connecticut legislature. Osley is the son of a local confectioner.

An express package containing money was traced to a Bridgeport midwife. In that way the supposed connection of the arrested men with the Bridgeport murder mystery was obtained.

The clue leading to the arrest was secured in tracing the money package from Plantsville, Conn., to Bridgeport. A servant girl named Lizzie Katzen, employed by the Osley family, gave valuable information to the police.

The two men under arrest left Southington for Bridgeport in the custody of the police immediately after they were taken by the police.

Whether they have any real connection with the case or are simply taken as witnesses cannot now be learned. Both were well acquainted with Miss Gill.

Detective Cronin returned to headquarters yesterday afternoon from Stratford, where he had been making a thorough canvass with a view to finding persons who had seen Miss Gill in that place. He had with him a shirt waist collar which had been worn by Miss Gill and also her photograph, but failed to find any one who had seen the woman to recall it. The detective also looked into the career of Charles A. Plumb and learned enough to cause him to recommend the release of Plumb as a witness. The law firm of Toomey & Lynch has been engaged to defend Walter Foster, and Attorney Lynch after a conference with his client at the jail said:

"They will never convict him."

Harry Guilford yesterday made a statement regarding his visit to his mother's house at the time when he was arrested.

He said he came from New Haven to visit the house and get the mail that had arrived since his mother left Bridgeport. He said he did so at the request of his sister Eudora, who went away with his mother and is now in Wellsburg, N. Y. He said he did not know where his mother was at the present time. Before he visited the house he went and saw Attorney Klein, his mother's counsel, and asked him what was new in the case. After leaving the lawyer he said he went to Stratford on his bicycle out of curiosity and then went to his mother's house.

Charles Plumb Released.
 BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 24.—Charles A. Plumb, arrested in Stratford Wednesday night on suspicion that he was implicated in the Gill murder, was released last night, as it was proved that he had no connection with the case. Young Guilford is still held; but his counsel says he will apply for a writ of habeas corpus today.

Leprosy in Nicaragua.
 MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Sept. 24.—El Comercio, a daily newspaper of Managua, recently reported that there are over 100 persons afflicted with leprosy in Chinandega, Nicaragua, and that the number of cases is rapidly increasing.

owing to the fact that the pools of edifying waters along the margin of Rio Chinandega, in which many of the citizens of all ages and sexes bathe daily, are also used by the leprosy-stricken. Plumb overestimated the condition of affairs at Chinandega, but it is very serious, for if even only a few cases of leprosy existed the valley of Chinandega is one of the most fertile in any of the tropical countries and is being settled with agricultural emigrants quite rapidly.

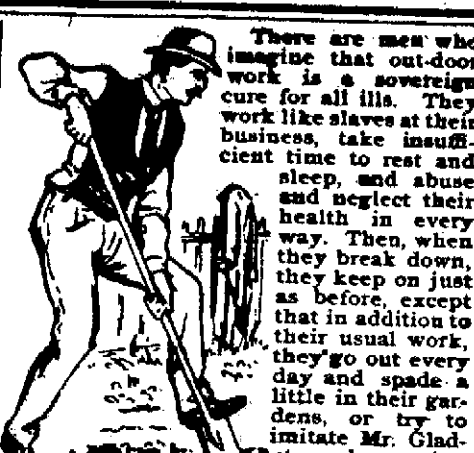
Paris Commission Meets Today.
 PARIS, Sept. 24.—The final meeting of the commission to consider the subject of revision, which was fixed for last night, has been postponed until 9 o'clock this morning, when a report will be drafted. It is stated in ministerial circles that the report will advise M. Sarrien, minister of justice, in favor of revision. M. Brisson, the premier, opposes the convocation of the chambers on the ground that the revision question is purely a governmental matter.

No Postoffice Irregularities.
 WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—The postal officials have directed one of their representatives to conduct an inquiry into the charges made recently in a political speech that Senator Quay had sold postoffices in Lehigh county. Pa. Second Assistant Postmaster General Stadenberger says that official records show no evidence of irregularity in the appointment of postmasters in the county referred to. The inquiry is made at the request of Senator Quay.

Twelve Hundred Miners Strike.
 BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 24.—Twelve hundred miners employed in the Dillonville and Long Run mines suspended work yesterday. The stop was taken as a result of the operators refusing to concede the most important part of the demands of the miners made at a conference Thursday night. The operators have asked for another conference, and it is thought the trouble may be settled shortly.

Hospital Ship Sails.
 WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—The hospital ship Solace, sailed from Brooklyn for Guantanamo. The Buffalo was put in commission on Thursday for the first time under the United States flag.

Arrived With Stores.
 PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Sept. 24.—The United States steamer Panther, from Boston with stores, arrived here yesterday forenoon. She will leave for New York as soon as her cargo is landed.



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Prominent Features of the Proposed Constitution—A Hitch as to Import Duties—Presidents May Not Pass Over Arms.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Sept. 24.—The delegates who are daily holding meetings at this place for the purpose of deciding on the articles of the constitution to be formulated for the proposed "United States of Central America," to be composed of the states of Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua, have had several serious differences, the representatives of Nicaragua and Honduras voting in some instances solidly, or nearly so, in opposition to the views of the delegates from Salvador. One contention was in regard to the finances of the proposed federal government. All the delegates conceded that the federal government should control the custom houses and collect the import duties, but the Salvadorians declared that one-half of the import duties collected from their state should be returned to Salvador, because that country imported as much or more than Nicaragua and Honduras combined. The convention voted against this, however, but the next day, as a disruption was evident from a protest published in the newspapers by the Salvador delegates, the convention agreed in order to smooth matters over that one-half the revenues collected by the federal government through the custom house in each state should be paid to that state. The Salvador representatives are evidently not satisfied with several articles that have been adopted over their votes by the other delegates.

The members of the convention have declared themselves at present the sole and supreme expressors of the will of the states and people of Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua, and therefore ignore the "diet" of the "Greater Republic of Central America" that had them appointed through the state governments (they were not really elected, as they claim), and will not submit the constitution (nominally formulated for the states and people) to the people for approval or disapproval.

Many critics of the work of the convention declare that when the presidents of the states are ordered by the federal government, on its organization, to deliver up to the federal government all the cannon, rifles, munitions of war and soldiers in the various states there will be much opposition and that some of the presidents will delay or refuse altogether compliance with the order and thus prevent the establishment of the United States of Central America, for it is believed that the position and even the life of some of the presidents of the Central American countries depend solely on the fact that they vigilantly control, personally or through paid satellites, all the arms, munitions of war and soldiers in their respective states.

The following are some of the prominent articles agreed to by the constitution forming the assembly:

The Name.—To be "The United States of Central America."

The Federal District.—To be composed of the four civil departments of Chinandega (Nicaragua), Choluteca and Morazan (Honduras) and La Union (Salvador), being the land boundary of the gulf of Fonseca and extending interiorward to the crest of the mountains that face the Pacific ocean, containing over 3,500 square miles of land area and embracing the excellent ship harbors of Corinto (Nicaragua), La Union (Salvador), Amapala (Honduras) and the gulf of Fonseca.

The Capital.—To be at present Amapala, on Tiger Island (Honduras). In the gulf of Fonseca, the federal government to select a site hereafter within the federal district for a permanent capital.

The government will most probably select as the site for the federal capital one of the well watered, large, elevated plateaus in the Choluteca mountains that overlook the gulf of Fonseca and its entrance into the Pacific ocean near Rio Choluteca.

The Government.—To consist of a president, four senators and 12 representatives from each state and three senators and four representatives from the federal district, elected for four years. The president is not to be re-elected. The supreme court is also to be elected by the people, for four years, when the federal government orders.

Territory.—The civil departments composing the federal district are to be ceded by the states to the federal government; but the states and federal government are prohibited from ceding any part of state or national territory to any foreign power.

This is evidently an effort to prevent any foreign power from acquiring the canal route across Nicaragua.

A commission appointed by the convention is to meet at Amapala on Nov. 1 next, empowered to take all necessary steps to have an election in the states on Dec. 1, 1898, for president, senators and representatives and to inaugurate the persons thus elected at Amapala on March 1, 1899, as the officials of the federal government.

The federal government is to be the supreme power within the states and to be the medium of communication between the states and foreign countries and is to control all custom houses in the states and to collect all import duties, dividing the collections as made equally with the state government of the state from which collected. This division of the import duties is to be the rule at first. The federal congress has power to order differently.

The arms, ammunition and munitions of war owned by each state and all the soldiers are to be turned over to the federal government on its organization. None of the presidents of the states nor any of the commission to inaugurate the government of the union can be elected president of the federal union during the term of his office.

The existing state debts are not to be assumed by the federal government, at least not at present.

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MURDERED BY INCHES.

Extracts from the Diary of Private Harry Carpenter, of Co. F, 11st New York Volunteer—A Soldier's Record of his sufferings from official blunders and neglect.

Private Harry Carpenter, of Co. F, 11st Regiment, N. Y. V., who died Sept. 12th, at the home of his uncle, at Monroe, kept a diary of his army experiences. Not a word in it was written with a view of publication—it was merely a personal record, and since no man dies to himself, may be accepted as an absolutely truthful record of what he did, saw and suffered.

The diary begins with a reference to stretching himself one inch in his uncle's suspension apparatus for spinal patients in order to pass muster as a recruit and tells in simple words his experiences in camp and in the battle of Santiago. On July 22 he was taken with diarrhoea and fever, and on Aug. 7th writes that word has come that he is to be put on board the Grand Duchess and sent home. "This," he says, "gives him new life and hope." The rest of the story of his sufferings can be best told in his own words, which we reprint from the Monroe Herald:

August 15—We came in sight of land about 4 p. m. and anchored where we could see the city of white tents. Several men died and were buried at sea and one or two are to be taken ashore for burial. The food served to the sick was horrible. Captain Rafferty came to see us every day, but he could do nothing. The neglect of the dying was a disgrace to civilization.

August 18—Here I am on American soil once more, in detention hospital at Montauk. I have been quite ill, but would be better if I could get something to eat. I have written to Aunt Huldah (Mrs. Gunn) to send me some sandwiches.

August 19—I am very weak. I believe I am actually starving to death. If I don't get out of here soon I shall have to die. I should be all right if I was with my regiment. We get no care here. The doctor comes and looks at us. They say he will send some medicine, but he does not do so. We don't see him again for a day or two. We get no care except from a fool called a nurse, who only comes around once or twice a day.

Aug. 20—We can't leave here until we are disinfected, and they have no apparatus. I hear there is one, but it has never been put up. I am starving and so are the boys. We have only mouldy hard-tack and dry, stale canned beef that a dog could not eat. I wonder if this is the food that the Government supplies for its sick soldiers.

Aug. 21—A box came from Aunt Huldah, but they would not let me have the sandwiches. They say they were not good enough for me. I am sure anything would be better than what they gave me to eat.

Our doctor is drunk nearly all the time, and others act as if they were. This is the most mismanaged place I ever saw. Nobody seems to be responsible for anything.

Got a letter from George (his brother) saying he has sent me a box of sandwiches, cakes, brandy, whiskey, etc. I hope I shall get the box. I am dying by inches, and can't live much longer if I stay here. I wish I could get out alive. I would not have cared if I had been shot in Cuba, but to die here like a dog is terrible. I feel that I am growing weaker all the time.

August 22—A letter from Aunt Huldah says that Uncle Robert is trying to get me a furlough. I hope he will, for I don't want to die here. I am so weak that I can scarcely stand alone.

August 25—Alger was here yesterday and to-day investigating. He came to the hospital and shook hands with the boys. When he came to me he said he was glad we were doing so well. I said we were not doing well, but were doing very badly. He dropped my hand then and went away, but did not say a word. We had bread and milk yesterday, but this morning they said there was no milk, and so we have had nothing to eat all day.

THE LAST ENTRY.
August 30—I received my furlough on the 25th, at about 5 o'clock, and walked to the depot to take the 7 o'clock train. I don't know how I got there or how I reached home. I guess I was pretty sick. I am disgusted with what I see in the papers. Miss Shield beat at the head of the army. I would not mind going to Cuba or anywhere else under Miles, if I live.

Alger and Corbin and Shafter should be punished. Hannu, Arnold and all the contractors should be deported to Cuba and made to live on the spot. They have given the soldiers. I was as patriotic as anybody, but I am afraid that patriotism will be killed for a generation by the treatment the boys have received at the hands of the low politicians who have control of things. I know the American people will resent and avenge this great wrong before long. It makes my heart beat and my hand ache to think of it. I feel well. I shall tell you I know. I suppose I shall not be believed, but others can prove the truth of all my statements if they are not afraid to talk.

Just the Kind of Prisoner For Sheriff Monroe.
Stephen Simpson, the Marlborough man who bought poison in Newburgh, a few days ago, and then tried to take it to Cuba, sent to prison six months, has been released, a friend having agreed to take care of him. A man so anxious for jail ought to have been sent to Goshen Jail, or, unless driven out at the point of a pistol, the chances are that he would have been there at the end of his term.

Mew Out a Cylinder Head.
An Erie freight engine blew out a cylinder head at the North street crossing about 5 o'clock, this morning.

Philipsburgh Dam Repaired.
The dam at Philipsburgh has been repaired and the Wallkill at the park is assuming its usual breadth and depth.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Dr. J. C. Carr's Cathartic, 10c. or 25c. Dr. J. C. Carr's Cathartic, 10c. or 25c. Dr. J. C. Carr's Cathartic, 10c. or 25c.

BEER AND WHISKEY



It is probable that nearly every man who drinks moderately or immoderately has some disease of the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder or Urinary Organs. More men die of Kidney Disease than are killed in battle.

The usual symptoms are a sediment in the urine after it stands a day and night; pain in the small of the back; frequent desire to urinate, particularly at night; pain in making water, and urine that stains linen when it touches it.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy corrects all bad effects upon the Kidneys caused by whiskey and beer, and puts a new element of life in the blood. Those who drink, as well as total abstainers, will find in this time-tried medicine restoration to renewed health and happiness.

SAMPLE BOTTLE FREE.—A sample bottle and circular of valuable information will be forwarded by mail free to sufferers who send their name and address to the Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y. Mention this paper when writing. This is a genuine offer and is guaranteed by the publishers of this paper.

I shall do all I can to recommend Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy for gravel. It cured me," writes J. S. McCormick, U. S. Department Mineral Surveyor, Bliss Station, Idaho.

ATTENTION M'QUOIDS.

Orders of Foreman Short for the Pittston Trip.

In anticipation of the trip of McQuoid Engine Company to Pittston, next Wednesday, Foreman Short has issued the following orders:

All members intending to accompany the party must be at the engine house at 9:30, Wednesday morning, in fatigue uniform.

The dress uniform, consisting of caps, coats, white vests, white gloves, white bow ties, regulation collars, belts and trousers must be at the engine house not later than Tuesday evening to be packed in the company trunks. Black shoes will be worn in the parade.

Guests will follow the instructions to be sent them by Secretary Heinemann as to plans for them.

Low Rates to the Endeavorers' State Convention.

The State Convention of the Christian Endeavor Society (Y. P. S. C. E.) will be held at Utica. The New York, Ontario and Western announce that they will sell tickets to Utica and return, from points in New York State, at a fare and one-third for the round trip; such reduced rate tickets being sold and good going Oct. 1st to 4th, and good returning until Oct. 7th inclusive. If you are thinking of attending this convention, it would be well to communicate with the nearest N. Y. O. & W. agent.

Pipe Dream Tales About Members of the 24th.

The fellow who is inventing the Honolulu ghost stories ought to come off two days ago he had Dr. Howard J. Powelson lucky enough to have secured a discharge from the service, and Friday private Ralph Blake was reported dead. Both stories were entirely devoid of truth.

A Peach Supper.

The ladies of Christ Church will give a peach supper at the parsonage, corner of East Main and Orchard streets, next Wednesday evening from 6 to 9 o'clock.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

The seventy-foot slope wall which masons have laid along the O. and W. tracks at Bennett's switch, near Rockland, is expected to prevent any further washouts at that point, which has always been a troublesome one.

Still another railroad is projected in Delaware county. The building of a road from Delhi to Bovina Centre has impressed the people living beyond the latter place with the desirability of extending the line and an effort will be made to build the road to Arkville, a distance of fourteen miles.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Democratic judicial convention for this district will be held in Brooklyn, Oct. 5.

The call for the Senatorial convention is published elsewhere. The convention will be held in Newburgh, Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 4.

The Republican city convention will be held in the Assembly Rooms, Wednesday night.

INSTANTANEOUS RELIEF FROM ASTHMA.

Has Been Afforded Many Sufferers in Middletown.

If there was doubt in the mind of any sufferer from Asthma in this city as to the truth of the claims made for Dr. Schiffmann's Asthma Cure, that doubt no longer remains, providing he was among those who called at R. C. Tuttle's drug store, last Thursday and obtained a free sample package. A great number who have already tried the same declare in positive terms that relief was immediate; that the wretched spasms were checked; that free expectoration was induced; that a refreshing position was readily assumed and gratefully maintained; that the sleep which followed was restful and unbroken, and that the morning brought a clear head and a feeling of delighted thankfulness which no words are too strong to describe.

Abundant voluntary testimonials prove that Dr. Schiffmann's Asthma Cure not only gives instant relief in the worst cases, but has positively cured thousands who were considered incurable. The remedy is now sold by all druggists in packages at 50c. and \$1.00, thus bringing it within the reach of all. Should any reader be unable to obtain it of his druggist, it will be sent, postpaid, by sending to Dr. R. Schiffmann, 316 Rosabel st., St. Paul, Minn.

See the thrilling escape of the heroine from the burning building by walking to an opposite room on a telephone wire carrying a little child on her back. The God of the Heathen, "The Suttie," a deity who answered the star of the air.

PRICES AS USUAL.

Bad symptoms Gave.

"My stomach was in a bad condition, my head ached, and I had a tired feeling I did not feel like going to work. I bought a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and began taking it and soon I felt much better. My head stopped aching and the tired feeling left me." CHARLES BOVSE, Glens Falls, N. Y.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills. Easy to take, easy to operate, reliable, sure. 25c.

Some Foolish People.

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure. Makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. All druggists.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT.

JAS. P. RIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 18 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provision bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Sept. 24 '98.

Yest.-day To-day

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COAL! Chestnut \$4.50, Pocahontas \$5.00 at VANFLEET'S. d.wed, Sat.

TRY DAYTON'S for school supplies.

CORNERED Beef, sausage 10c., shoulder steak 12c., round steak 12c., plate 12c. KINGSLAND'S Market, 73 West Main street.

THE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in House, 21 North street. 74dly Oct 25, 98.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents for Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 16 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 99dly July 14 '98.

PHILIP A. RORTY, Counselor at law, 15 East 1st street. Legal business of all kinds. Special attention to searching and collections. 67dly

PENCIL Boxes, with full equipment, 5c. at DAYTON'S.

FOR SALE—Sweepstakes Stallion, sire Sweepstakes, dam Kaiserhooker, grand dam Black Harry Clay. Foaled July 23d, '98. There is no better young horse in New York State for breeding. Will be sold very cheap. Call on or address M. J. DUNHAM or M. B. VANFLEET, Middletown, N. Y. 18dly

JOS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street—Full line of fine shoes. Ladies' shoes, Goodyear welt, \$1.95. Men's good working shoes \$1. Men's fine shoes \$1.50 to \$3. Repairing neatly done at very reasonable prices. Shoes made to order, p. rect fit. Best leather and 25c. per pound. Shoemakers' materials of all kinds. Present to every customer. 65m Oct 25. NO. 91 FULTON STREET.

Trade in the Wagon Business

with us shows a good increase over former seasons, for which we desire to express appreciation to our friends and patrons. Our repository is well stocked with a good line of

Wagons and Harness

which we wish to reduce very much during the next month. Come and see what we have to offer. Have just received our winter stock of Blankets. A fine assortment at right prices. We can please you.

Middletown Wagon Co., 10 Henry St., Middletown.

The Attractions of Our Store

The Low Prices.

Here are Some of Our Fall Bargains.

The result of good buying. All new, seasonable goods that we have bought for the spot cash, and have bought cheap and you reap the benefit.

256 Ladies' Ribbed Vests and Pants.

It bought in a regular way would be \$1. We closed the lot, so we can sell them for 69c each. All good sizes, all wool.

283 Ladies' Flannelett Wrappers.

Made to our own order. Perfect fitting, handsome styles and cheaper than you can buy the material for—98c., \$1.39, \$1.48, \$1.69, sizes 32 to 46.

Black Dress Goods.

No store anywhere carries a better assortment of popular priced black goods than we do. Four special bargains at 35, 40, 60, 80c a yard.

Separate Skirts.

Our great sales tell the story. All tailor made, lined and interlined, perfect fitting, couldn't be better made by yourself for double the price, \$2.98, \$3.68, \$3.98, \$4.68, \$4.98.

480 Ladies' Cotton Ribbed Vests.

This lot of Vests if bought in a regular way would sell for 25c. As long as they last 19c each. Extra heavy ribbed Pants, with French band and draw string, 25c a pair.

Dress Linings

Best Kid Cambric 3c., 36-inch fast black Perkaline 10c a yard, 36-inch black backed fancy Waist Lining 12c a yard, best French Hair Cloth 25c up, 36-inch Perca Silk, for fancy dress hangings, 12c, 15, 20c a yard.

Men's Knit Underwear.

Three odd lots of Undershirts to close out quick. Men's heavy White Shirts 19c., were 25c. One lot Colored Undershirts 29c., were 39c. One lot Colored Undershirts 39c., were 50c. No drawers to match the above.

Colored Dress Goods.

All the new colors and weaves here. All wool Dress Goods, heavier mixtures, 25c a yard. Novelty Suitings, in a great variety of styles, 39c. All wool Covert Cloth, 35 inches wide, 50c a yard. Elegant line of Whip Cord and Poplins, new shades, 75c a yard.

An Umbrella Bargain.

Another large lot of the three great specials we have sold so many of. All steel rods, paragon frames, silk covers, Congo handles, men's and women's, 98c., \$1.19, \$1.48. Every one warranted.

See Our Great Stock of Wrappers. Largest Stock in the City.

HART DAVIS,

45 North St.

We are Ready to Make Your Winter Clothing!

We are ready to show you the best lines of cloths for Suits, Trousers and Overcoats. We make them up in first-class workmanship, the best tailors in this city doing our work, and we guarantee satisfaction or the clothes remain in our store. We are able to save you from \$6 to \$8 on every suit, comparing same with the same high standard of make as ours. We can do this because we do all our own cutting, because we buy our cloths from the mills direct, and because we buy our trimmings in original packages. Look us over if you please. Suits from \$15 up! Pants from \$4 up!

This is our Trade Mark.

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